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SUBJECT: IRMAK ASKED TO TRY AGAIN

1. PRIMIN IRMAK, HAVING FAILED IN HIS ATTEMPT TO FORM A "NATIONAL COALITION" RELEASED A STATEMENT FOLLOWING HIS MARCH 7 MEETING WITH PRESIDENT KORUTURK STATING THAT HE WOULD NOW ATTEMPT TO FORM A GOVERNMENT WITH A PARLIAMENTARY BASE "AS WIDE AS POSSIBLE."

2. IT IS DIFFICULT TO SEE HOW IRMAK WILL MEET WITH GREATER COOPERATION IN HIS SECOND EFFORT. THE NATIONALIST FRONT HAS GIVEN STRONG INDICATIONS THAT IT WILL NOT RPT NOT AGREE TO ANY COALITION NOT HEADED BY JUSTICE PARTY (JP) CHAIRMAN DEMIREL. (EMBOFF TALKED IWHT ONE OF FRONT'S LEADERS MARCH 7 AND WAS TOLD THAT FRONT WOULD HOLD OUT UNTIL THE PRESIDENT DESIGNATED DEMIREL. ALTHOUGH THEY WERE PREPARED TO WAIT THREE MONTHS. IF NECESSARY, HE FELT DESIGNATION WOULD COME IN 7-10 DAYS.)

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3. THE POSSIBLITY OF A RPP-JP AGREEMENT ON EARLY ELECTIONS

WAS RULED OUT BY DEMIREL EARLIER THIS WEEK. ANY LINGERING HOPES THAT AN AGREEMENT COULD BE OBTAINED WERE DEALT A SHARP SETBACK BY RPP CHAIRMAN ECEVIT'S BLUNT CRITICISM OF DEMIREL MARCH 6. IN A WRITTEN STATEMENT DISTRIBUTED TO NEWSMEN, ECEVIT CHARGED THAT "IF THE DEMOCRATIC REGIME IS IN DANGER THE CHIEF RESPONSIBILITY RESTS WITH THE JP CHARIMAN" WHO PUTS HIMSELF "BEFORE DEMOCRACY, THE STATE, THE NATION AND EVEN HIS PARTY." ECEVIT CONCLUDED "ONCE AGAIN WE WILL CALL ON THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN DEMOCRACY AND RESPECT THE NATIONAL WILL TO HAVE THE GUTS TO SAY 'YES' TO EARLY ELECTIONS."
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